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Sir:

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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

JPA No.'s 56-11397, 55-12429 and 56-11395 are disclosed on page 2 of the specification of the above-identified application. An English language abstract of JPA 56-11395 is submitted herewith.

JPA 55-12429 corresponds to U.S. Patent 4,258,264 and JPA 56-11397 corresponds to U.S. Patents 4,346,295 and 4,485,302.

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